

**Security Council**

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Letter dated 11 July 2002 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I regret to inform you that on 20 June 2002, Elungu Pene Elungu, the traditional chief of the village of Babindi in the Ubundu area southeast of Kisangani, was murdered together with his six children by troops of the Seventh Brigade of the Rassemblement congolais pour la démocratie (RCD/GOMA) led by Commander Laurent Kunde (or Kunda).

According to credible sources, including the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC), the victims had been taken to a neighbouring village where they had been summarily executed. That village had then been burned down.

The Security Council will recall that the name of commander Laurent Kunde and the Seventh Brigade of RCD/GOMA had already been mentioned in a number of reports, including those of the United Nations, in connection with the summary execution of five RCD/GOMA officers at Kalemie in May 2002 and the brutal and bloody repression in Kisangani on 14 May 2002.

My Government calls upon the Security Council:

1. To condemn these fresh violations of human rights by RCD/GOMA;
2. To demand that RCD/GOMA should bring Laurent Kunde and his hatchet men of the sinister RCD/GOMA Seventh Brigade before the courts to answer for their crimes;
3. To demand from RCD/GOMA the immediate demilitarization of the city of Kisangani and its environs, a sine qua non for the restoration of normalcy to that ravaged area of the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

My Government urges the Security Council to take action on this letter and should be grateful if it would have the letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) **Ileka Atoki**
Ambassador
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